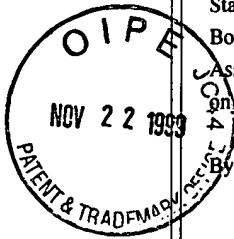


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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application – Filing Date Granted dated August 5, 1999 for two months, from October 5, 1999 to December 5, 1999. An appropriate response in the form of a Transmittal Letter – Response to Notice of Missing Parts is enclosed herewith.

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